September
Notice

September is the month both cities return to themselves, and Florentines come back. In Florence, the crowds return, the exhibitions are at their richest, and the Chianti hills have turned colours. In Marrakech, the temperature drops back to something more comfortable, the souks fill again, and the medina recovers its social temperature after the long pause of summer. September is worth keeping to yourself.

Book a stay

FLORENCE

The lantern procession, the private garden, two of the season's key cultural events, the Oltrarno at its most considered, and a guide to reading the frescoes above you.

WHAT'S ON

Festa della Rificolona

September 7

On September 7th, the Festa della Rificolona fills Florence's streets with paper lanterns in a procession that dates to the seventeenth century – one of the city's oldest popular festivals, almost invisible to international visitors.

Discover more

WHAT'S ON

Crafts and Palace

September 11–13

For three days in September, Crafts and Palace opens the Giardino Corsini al Prato – a baroque private garden rarely accessible – to Italy's finest contemporary artisans.

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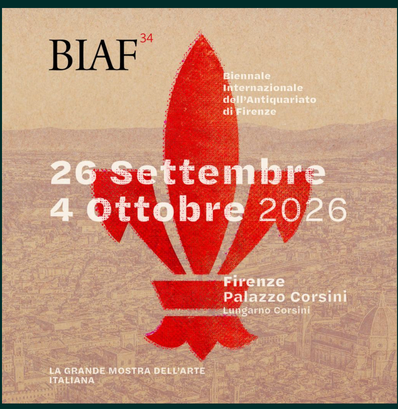
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WHAT'S ON

BIAF International Antiques Biennial

September 26 – October 4

Every two years the BIAF International Antiques Biennial brings the world's finest dealers to Palazzo Corsini – running alongside Florence Art Week. The 34th edition this autumn.

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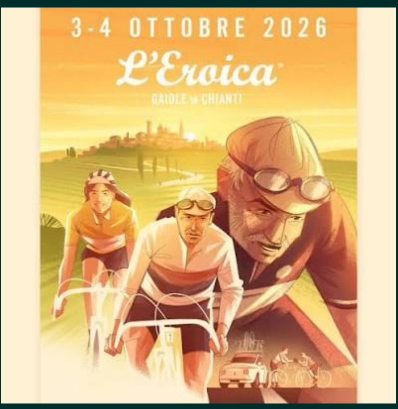
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WHAT'S ON

L'Eroica

October 3–4, Chianti Classico

On the first weekend of October, L'Eroica sends several hundred cyclists in pre-1987 kit across the white gravel roads of the Chianti Classico – not a race in any conventional sense.

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MARKET

Mercato di San Frediano

Every Wednesday, Friday, Saturday Morning

The Mercato di San Frediano sets up every Tuesday

RESTURANT

Il Santo Bevitore

Via di Santo Spirito

Il Santo Bevitore on Via di Santo Spirito is the morning in the Piazza del Tiratoio — the Oltrarno's small local market, known to the people who live near it and not much further.

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Oltrarno's considered address — seasonal Tuscan cooking, a natural wine list that rewards curiosity, and the right room for September's slower pace.

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How to Read a Fresco

Florence has more frescoes per square kilometre than any other city on earth — a guide to reading them before you walk into a church, and an introduction to Kety Ghinassi, the conservator who restored the ceilings above you at the Abitazione.

Read The Full Article

MARRAKECH

The medina's two best hours of the day, the tanneries at late-summer intensity, a conversation with the Nomad Carpets team, and the addresses that earn their place when the city is running on its own terms.

THE MEDINA

Two Hours Worth Finding

Early Morning and Late Night

Before 8am and after 10pm, the medina runs at a frequency entirely different from its daytime self — September, when the tourists slowly return, is the month to find both hours.

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THE MEDINA

The Tanneries

The Smell of the City Working

On the streets around the tanneries north of the medina, the late summer smell is specific and entirely unchanged — because nothing has improved on the method.

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RESTAURANT

La Paillote

Route d'Amizmiz

La Paillote's large outdoor garden in Route d'Amizmiz — French-leaning menu with Moroccan accents, reliable and far enough from the medina to feel like a change of register.

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BAR

Dar Dar

Rooftop

Dar Dar's rooftop in the medina has an alcohol licence, Koutoubia views, and the lively atmosphere of a venue that asks nothing of the evening.

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Nomad Carpets

A Thread Back to the Atlas

The team at Nomad Carpets on reading the story woven into a piece from the Atlas Mountains, what distinguishes a serious carpet from a tourist one, and what survives the journey when a carpet leaves Morocco.

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